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Patent Documents

1. United States Patent No. 2,591,885 (Smith) issued April 8, 1952;
2. United States Patent No. 2,716,630 (Spangenberg et al.) issued April 30, 1955;

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3. United States Patent No. 2,866,739 (Ciesielski et al.) issued December 30, 1958;
4. United States Patent No. 3,031,376 (Levin et al.) issued April 24, 1962;
5. United States Patent No. 4,076,700 (Harada et al.) issued February 28, 1978;
6. United States Patent No. 4,151,160 (Koebner) issued April 24, 1979;
7. United States Patent No. 4,298,539 (Koskenniska) issued November 3, 1981;
8. United States Patent No. 4,422,966. (Amer) issued December 27, 1983;
9. United States Patent No. 4,524,024 (Hughes) issued June 18, 1985;
10. United States Patent No. 4,524,030 (Cleary et al.) issued June 18, 1985;
11. United States Patent No. 4,874,794 (Katz) issued October 17, 1989;
12. United States Patent No. 5,071,879 (Katz) issued December 10, 1991;
13. United States Patent No. 5,117,016 (Tackett et al.) issued May 26, 1992;
14. United States Patent No. 5,166,219 (Katz) issued November 24, 1992;
15. United States Patent No. 5,244,887 (Straub) issued September 14, 1993;
16. United States Patent No. 5,270,041 (Eugster et al.) issued December 14, 1993;
17. United States Patent No. 5,502,887 (Gonzales) issued April 2, 1996;
18. United States Patent No. 5,534,554 (Katz et al.) issued July 9, 1996; and
19. United States Patent No. 6,057,462 (Robinson et al.) issued May 2, 2000.

Foreign Patent Documents

20. PCT Patent Publication No. 00/64924, Published 2 November 2000.

Other Documents

21. Ault, A., "Techniques and Experiments for Organic Chemistry," 2nd Ed. Pgs. 29-41 (1976)

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Copies of the above-listed documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. It is also respectfully requested that a copy of Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned to the undersigned with the next communication, in accordance with MPEP § 609.

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